

**PATENT APPLICATION  
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

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Hiromichi KOMORI, et al.

Application No.: 10/540,521

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Examiner: Paul E. ZAREK

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For: REMEDY FOR DEGENERATIVE INTERVERTEBRAL DISCS

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
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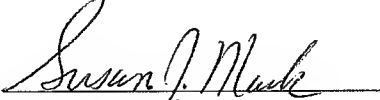
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time of one month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of June 30, 2008 from September 30, 2008 to October 30, 2008.

The statutory fee of \$130.00 is being charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 via the EFS Web Payment Screen. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge the statutory fee of and all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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